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## Pioneer Piocheite Recalls Old Times

The Record is in receipt of a letter from Roy Willis, a pioneer resident of Pioche, who is now a resident of Westwood, Cal., and the following extracts from his communication may be of interest to the few old-timers now here and who may remember the writer. Mr. Willis writes:

"I was one of the pioneers of Pioche and I would like to hear something of the country where I spent a number of my boyhood days.

"I hauled water from the Highland springs in barrels and peddled it in buckets about camp. Later I hauled ore from the Hermese, Pioche Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and Meadow Valley over the Andy Pife road to the Condor mill in the canyon above Bullionville.

"If there are any of the old pioneers of Austin, Treasure Hill, Hamilton and Pioche left, they will no doubt remember the boy, 'Cap.' Willis. I lived on Lacour street in the early days of Pioche."

If Mr. Willis should come back to Pioche now he would find but few of those sturdy old pioneers. Nearly all have stepped to the other side. However, he would find Charley Rodeen and Ong Lung Chung, whom we all know as Charley, and no doubt they could spend many profitable hours in recalling incidents of the early 70s when Pioche was heralded everywhere as one of the liveliest mining camps on the globe.

Mr. Willis would also recognize some of the old land marks left by the miners of his boyhood and a few of the old rock business blocks with their strong iron doors. But in looking around the mines, he would note a vast change; he would find none of the old hoisting plants that were familiar to him; neither would he find any of the old reduction works. These have all disappeared. The Condor mill was destroyed by fire years ago and at Bullionville he would discover little to recall old times, save perhaps a few sections of the grade of the old Pioche & Bullionville railroad.

At Bullionville, however, he would see work being rushed on a new modern 200-ton mill, where oil flotation will play an important part in recovering the values left in nearly 200 tons of mill tailings at Bullionville and Dry Valley.

In Pioche, he would find the splendid new Consolidated Nevada-Utah mill grinding out the values contained in the great mass of zinc-lead ores of the famous "Black Ledge," which was too complex for the metallurgists of the 70s to fathom. He would find the great Prince Consolidated at the "old iron blow-out," over on the west side of the Ely range, which is sending out 500 tons of ore per day over its own broad gauged railroad to Pioche. The Prince has paid over \$200,000 in dividends dug out of that "old iron blow-out" in the past year and in that mine are ore reserves, which the owners themselves do not know to what enormous extent they exist.

Mr. Willis would find the Salt Lake Route built in here, which carried out during 1915, over 2200 cars of ore, while the prospects are that it will exceed 3000 during the current year. He would find the Pioche Pacific narrow gauged line to Jack Rabbit hauling ore from Eristol and Jack Rabbit.

Mr. Willis would not find the "red hot" camp as of yore, when gambling was run at high speed, when the glare of the dance hall was an attraction and when shooting scrapes were as common as pancakes for breakfast. Such conditions do not exist here now; that is all history exist now. But when it comes down to real mining, Pioche is yet in its infancy.

### UVADA COPPER TRAM IN OPERATION AGAIN

Ore shipping from the Uvada Copper was handicapped last week owing to the breaking of the tramway cable. This has been repaired and the Pioche Pacific trains have run daily to Jack Rabbit this week to carry in ore.

### COWBOYS LASSO BIG BLACK BEAR AT LUND

Joe Delmue was at the Hotel Alexander the first of the week, having just returned from Lund, where he superintended the loading of about 1500 head of cattle. The livestock was brought in mostly from Kane county, Utah.

While in Lund on the morning of the 10 inst. a genuine black bear strolled into town and caused considerable excitement.

How Mr. Bruin should lose his bearings as to stroll into a neighborhood where a bunch of cowboys were working seems inexplicable; but nevertheless he got there. Before Bruin knew where he was at he was rounded up and roped securely by the cow men. The captive was placed in a hastily made cage and a rope placed around his neck to prevent him from raising too much commotion. The confinement was not to Mr. Bruin's liking though, so he proceeded to settle matters right then and there by choking himself to death. When the captors went to see how the captive was getting on they found that Bruin had decided that death was preferable to being a friend of the cowboys. The animal, Mr. Delmue says, weighed about 750 pounds.

### STATE LAND OFFICE DOES BIG BUSINESS

Friday was a great big day in the state land office. The receipts in cash amounted to \$55,000. About \$53,000 of this was for final payments on contracts for land in Washoe, Humboldt and Elko counties by the Union Land and Stock company of Reno, and involves making of 153 patents, covering 50,000 acres of land. The money was received and turned over to the school funds in the state treasury.—Carson News.

### Elko Has 679 School Children

The school census has just been completed by Miss Hough, who reports that she finds a total of 679 school children in this district. There are 217 boys between the ages of 6 and 19 years, 183 girls, 212 girls and boys under 6 years and 67 between 18 and 21 years.—Elko Free Press.

### ELLIOTT LARSON SELLS RESIDENCE PROPERTY

Elliott Larson consummated a deal last Monday for the sale of his residence property on Main street to Ivan Kendall, and will give possession about July 1st.

Mr. Larson and his family will move to Monroe, Utah, where he will engage in the mercantile business.

Mr. and Mrs. Larson, during their residence here, have won the esteem of a large circle of friends who regret deeply to see them leave. The Larsons are splendid people and will depart for their new home bearing the best wishes of all.

### JUDGE MCCARRAN TOURS EASTERN PART OF STATE

Justice Patrick A. McCarran has been touring the northern and eastern counties of the state in the interest of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the United States senate to succeed Senator Key Pittman. He has returned towards Carson City, but expects to make the southern tier of counties in the near future.

### Ed. Clark at St. Louis

Ed. W. Clark, one of the six Nevada delegates to the Democratic national convention, left Thursday night for St. Louis. Ed is not only a consistent and loyal Democrat, but a capable, conscientious and patriotic citizen and can be trusted to creditably perform his duty no matter what the exigencies of the occasion may be. A number of admiring friends gathered at the station to speed him on his way.—Clark Co. Review.

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nye, a baby boy.

## St. Louis Convention Nominates Wilson

The Democratic national convention, which convened at St. Louis last Wednesday, nominated Woodrow Wilson for president, and T. R. Marshall, for vice-president of the United States. It was the expressed desire of President Wilson, made known to the delegates direct from the White House, that Mr. Marshall be chosen as his running mate again. This shut out all vice-presidential booms that had been started.

The keynote speech was delivered by former Gov. Glynn of New York, which was as follows:

St. Louis, Mo., June 14.—Following is a condensed version of the address delivered at the opening of the Democratic national convention today by Temporary Chairman Martin H. Glynn, former governor of New York.

Gentlemen of the Convention: The Democratic party, in this convention assembled, meets to perform a duty, not to itself but to the nation.

We have entered this hall as Democrats; we shall deliberate and act here as Americans.

Disregarding the divisions that make one man a Tory and another a Whig, one man a Republican and another a Democrat, Americans will cast aside the tinsel of party emblems.

From the great, pulsing heart of the nation will come a patriot command to crush partisanship and rebuke whatever is mean or blind.

And when, a century from now, America's children come to read our history, we pray God that the history we are about to make may prove an inspiration to their loyalty.

In the attainment of this hope, the utterance of this prayer we who gather here today have a responsibility that sobers our emotions as it strengthens our resolutions.

For two years the world has been aflame. That fire still burns, but thus far the United States has held the flame at bay.

### Must Support Principles.

What the people of the United States must determine through their suffrage is whether the principles that have been asserted as our national policy shall be indorsed or withdrawn.

This is the paramount issue.

For 200 years neutrality was a theory; America made it a fact. To win this priceless right of neutrality this nation had to undergo a long and painful struggle.

Where is the American hardy enough to challenge a policy so firmly fixed in the nation's traditions?

The president of the United States stands today where stood the men who made America and who saved America and made American neutrality a national creed.

If Washington was right, if Jefferson was right, if Hamilton was right, if Lincoln was right, then the president of the United States is right today; if the Republican leaders are right then Lincoln was wrong and Jefferson was wrong and Washington was wrong.

In all the history of the world there is no other national policy that has justified itself so completely and entirely as the American policy of neutrality and isolation from the quarrels of European powers.

### Neutral Rights Asserted.

No American who knows the facts can honestly oppose or criticize the policy of neutrality which the present Democratic administration has pursued.

America's doctrine of neutrality never meant that this nation must rush headlong into war at the first invasion of its neutral rights. This does not mean that America will not resort to war when all other means of protecting its neutral rights have failed, but it does mean that America will exhaust every peaceful means of protecting those rights before it takes the step from which there is no appeal.

The issue, raised by our opponents, of the vigor with which our neutrality has been enforced is a comparative issue which can be decided only by comparative results.

When Grant was president, during the war between Spain and the Spanish West Indies, a Spanish gunboat seized the vessel Virginus flying the American flag and a Spanish commandant in cold blood shot the captain of the Virginus, 36 of the crew and 16 of the passengers.

But we didn't go to war. Grant settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Benjamin Harrison was president the people of Chili conceived a violent dislike to the United States. One junior officer from the United States warship Baltimore was

killed outright in the streets of Valparaiso and 16 of our sailors wounded.

But we didn't go to war. Harrison settled our troubles by negotiation.

More Historical Facts.  
When Lincoln was president this country's rights were violated on every side. England, Russia, France and Spain were guilty of flagrant violations.

But we didn't go to war. Lincoln settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Pierce was president the British minister in this country and three of his consuls violated our neutrality during the Crimean war. We gave these representatives of Great Britain their passports and sent them home.

But we didn't go to war. Pierce settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Van Buren was president a detachment of Canadian militia, during the internal troubles in Canada, boarded the U. S. ship Carolina in the American waters of Niagara river, killed an American member of the crew, fired the ship and sent her adrift over Niagara Falls.

But we didn't go to war. Van Buren settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Jefferson was president England seized hundreds of our ships and Napoleon hundreds more.

But we didn't go to war. Jefferson settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Adams was president France preyed upon our commerce until she had piled up in our state department charges of over 2,300 violations of neutrality's law.

But we didn't go to war. Adams settled our troubles by negotiation.

When Washington was president and "neutrality" first declared, war convulsed Europe. England and France seized 400 of our ships and confiscated millions of dollars' worth of our property.

But we didn't go to war. Washington settled our troubles by negotiation.

In his policy of peaceful negotiations today the president of the United States follows the example set him by the greatest presidents the Democratic party and the greatest presidents the Republican party ever gave this nation.

### Policy of Negotiation.

"To maintain our national honor by peace if we can, by war if we must," is the motto of the president of the United States.

But before submitting to the chance and misery of war, true statesmen that he is, he proposes to put the reason and justice of negotiation to the test.

But, say our critics, this policy satisfies no one.

They mean it does not satisfy those who would map out a new and untried course for this nation to pursue.



Temporary Chairman Glynn.

but they forget it does satisfy those who believe the United States should live up to the principles it has professed for a century and more.

### National Honor.

In desperation for a slogan our opponents try to create an issue out of national honor.

Now national honor is not the whim of an individual mind.

National honor is the composite sentiment, the composite reason of a whole people feeling the emotions of nature and following the dictates of God.

## Mill Progress Is Reported Satisfactory

Ore Shipments This Week  
Ore shipments from Pioche this week amounted to 86 car loads, as follows:

Prince Consolidated, ..... 76  
Con. Nev.-Utah, concentrate, 4  
Half Moon Lease, ..... 1  
Hamburg, ..... 2  
Uvada Copper, ..... 2

The Prince company shipped six cars of silicious ore from the dump.

### RENO WOMAN IS HONORED AT CHICAGO CONVENTION

A Chicago dispatch under date of the 8th inst brought the information that Mrs. T. F. Moran of Reno was the first woman to receive official recognition at a Republican national convention. At a caucus of Nevada delegates she was chosen as a member of the committee to notify the vice-presidential nominee of his selection by the convention.

The state delegation chose H. C. Humphrey of Reno as national committeeman to succeed Col. H. B. Maxon, and named Samuel Platt as the Nevada member of the committee on resolutions.

### Manual Training Tools Here

The manual training equipment, which has been provided for the Pioche public schools through the efforts of the ladies of the Parent-Teachers' association, has arrived and will be installed by the board of trustees before the opening of the next term of school in September.

The Fourth of July will be celebrated in appropriate style in Pioche this year. A meeting of citizens has been called for tonight to discuss plans and to appoint the various committees. Every patriotic citizen should attend and help to make this year's celebration the best ever held here.

And it is for this reason that "the power" to declare war is conferred by the Constitution of the United States, not on the individual will of president, but on the composite reason, the representative decision of "the congress of the United States."

The genius of this country is for peace. There is no danger of militarism.

We have built our greatness on the resources of nature and the peaceful toil of our people.

With us war has never been a choice, it has always been a fate.

Like the old Mohawk chief who loved peace, we would like to throw the tomahawk of war so high in the sky that no man's hand could ever pull it down. But when some other tribe among the races of men sends us a bundle of arrows wrapped in the skin of a rattlesnake, we want to be in a position to send that rattlesnake's skin back stuffed with powder and with ball.

We deprecate the compulsion but we recognize the need of the policeman on the beat, the safe in the bank and the watchdog on the farm.

The war across the seas has brought home to us the fear that so long as men are men and nations nations, wars will continue.

For these reasons this administration has done more for our army and our navy than any administration in our history.

The Democratic party advocates and seeks preparedness, but it is preparedness for defense, not preparedness for aggression.

### Our National Soul.

These, then, are the principles that have been asserted and followed by the president of the United States during the past two years—that the United States shall not embroil itself in European strife, that the United States shall endeavor to maintain friendly and cordial relations with every other nation and that the United States shall firmly assert and maintain and be prepared to assert and maintain its neutral rights against every belligerent.

This convention must make it plain that all divisions among the American people stop at the ocean's edge.

Over and above every other reason that the nation may have for upholding its president, is the necessity of proving to the world that we are a united people.

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The Con. Nevada Utah mill ran continuously all this week with the loss of only four hours, which was due to the breaking of an elevator belt and the necessity of replacing a new one.

The plant is producing a grade of concentrate much better than any of the sorted ore products shipped in the past; the filter press is bringing the moisture to very low figure. During the week the plant has been milling ore from the dumps which runs high in metallic contents considerably above the average feed.

In the No 1 shaft work was started this week on a crosscut on the 1400 level southwest from the most westerly point on the level; the idea being to prospect south of the dyke west of the Black Ledge winze. Already the miners have cut three or four stringers both zinc and lead.

The indications, according to the management, are not at all unfavorable. In fact, they are decidedly encouraging.

The new cross-cut has brought in a little more water which the pumps can handle easily.

A new safety device is being installed under the shive wheel. The function of which is to sever the cable from the cage in case of an overwind and at the same time to hang the cage up. This additional equipment makes the shaft safer than in the past.

Taken in all and operations at both mine and mill this week have been very satisfactory.

### New Display Ads this Week

Lincoln Meat & Grocery Co.  
Pace & Lee, Caliente Meat Market.

Pahrnagat Valley, gasoline for sale at the Richard Cash Store.

University of Nevada Summer School.

Mrs. Buck's Grocery to move.  
New Pioche Laundry to start.

### Teachers' Examination Held

The semi-annual county teachers' examination was held at the school house this week. Among those in attendance were: Miss Della Cookley and Mrs. C. J. Warren, of Pioche; Quincy Keele and Earl Ronnow, of Panaca. Mrs. L. H. Beason was appointed deputy examiner by Deputy District Superintendent Geo. E. Anderson.

### PIOCHE PACIFIC LOSES FREIGHT HOUSE BY FIRE

Fire destroyed the freight and warehouse of the Pioche Pacific Railroad yesterday afternoon. The building was a total loss, but most of the contents of value were saved. It is supposed that the blaze originated from a spark from an engine.

### SALT LAKE ROUTE MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

The Salt Lake Route has begun the expenditure of one and one-third million dollars in improvements.

These betterments included in the 1916 budget prepared by General Manager H. C. Nutt and approved by ex-Senator Clark and Judge R. S. Lovett, provide for the spending of \$547,000 for new rail of 90 lb section, \$260,000 in bridges, and \$511,000 in miscellaneous improvements.

Several hundred men will be employed to carry out the new work and increased activity will be displayed along the entire system. A large part of the material used will be displayed along the entire system. A large part of the material will be bought in Los Angeles. The new bridges will be of steel with concrete foundations.

### Half Moon Shipment

A shipment of a fine car of ore from the Half Moon lease was made during the week. The Half Moon is one of the Con. Nevada-Utah properties.